generating five crore-employment opportunities in the Tenth Plan, it identified sectors/subsectors with employment potential like agriculture, including social forestry, animal husbandry, fishing, horticulture and related areas and small and medium industries, construction, tourism, information technology, financial sector, education and health.

Expenditure on computerisation and information dissemination

†*337. SHRI LAJPAT RAI:
SHRIKRIPALPARMAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved two to three per cent expenditure on computerisation and information dissemination works out of the annual budgetary allocation made to various Ministries/ Departments;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the percentage of expenditure on the above works out of the allocated amount during the year 2000-01,2001 -02 and 2002-03?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The Planning Commission has not approved any specific allocation for computerisation and information dissemination for the various Ministries/Departments. However, on the recommendation of the "Expert Group for Computerisation of the Information on Personnel and Citizen Services" set up by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, the Planning Commission had requested the various Ministries/Departments in April, 1998, to make a provision of 2-3% of their plan/budget for programmes/schemes relating to Information Technology.

(c) Does not arise.

Highway from Agartala to Bangladesh

*338. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.